



26th Sunday in Ordinary Time September 28, 2025



**BEaST** - Over 70 teens joined for our BEaST Kick Off BBQ! Lots of fun, great food, and faith-filled friendships that inspire us to BE a SAINT.



# This Week

# SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2025

8:00 am Mass

9:00 am Pre-K to 6 Religious Education

10:00 am Mass followed by 🗢 & 🥯

5:00 pm Mass 6:00 pm BEaST

# Monday-Saturday

8:15 am Mass

# Monday, September 29, 2025

6:00 pm Legion of Mary (Hall)

6:30 pm Rescue Project

# WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2025

10:00 am Bible Study

12:15 pm Senior Mass followed by Bingo &

Lunch (p.3)

7:00 pm Catholic in Recovery (p.6)

7:00 pm Holy Hour (Adoration &

Confession)

# FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2025

8:15 am Women's Bible Study (p.7)

# SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2025

8:15 am Mass followed by Adoration &

Confession until 9:15 am

3:30 pm Confession until 4:30 pm

5:00 pm Mass

# SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2025

8:00 am Mass

9:00 am Pre-K to 6 Religious Education

10:00 am Mass followed by 🕳 & 🥯

5:00 pm Mass 6:00 pm BEaST

# Mass Intentions

Sat., Sept. 27, 5:00 pm Maurice Galvez †

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Sun., Sept. 28, 8:00 am St. Raymond Parish

10:00 am Society of St. Vincent de Paul

5:00 pm Kay Seeliger †

Mon., Sept. 29, 8:15 am Joan Briggson †

Ss. Michael, Gabriel, & Raphael, Archangels (F)

Tue., Sept. 30, 8:15 am Colorodo 19th Anniverary 💍

St. Jerome, Priest & Doctor of the Church (M)

Wed., Oct. 1, 8:15 am Gina Gueverra

St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus (Lisieux) (M)

12:15 pm Agnes Lee

Thu., Oct. 2, 8:15 am Wan Man Poon †

The Holy Guardian Angels (M)

Fri., Oct. 3, 8:15 am The Pineda Family

Sat., Oct. 4, 8:15 am Gene Baciocco †; Charles

Galdes †; Margaret McSweeney †; Willis

Marie Scott †

St. Francis of Assisi, Religious, Deacon, Principal Co-Patron of

Archdiocese (S\*)

Sat., Oct. 4, 5:00 pm Puz Nelson † & Mary Shepherd †

Our Lady of the Rosary (S)

Sun., Oct 5, 28, 8:00 am St. Raymond Parish

10:00 am Connie Auyeung †

5:00 pm

S - Solemnity; F- Feast; M - Obligatory Memorial; m - Optional Memorial; L&D - Living & Deceased

\* Fun Fact - In the General Roman Calendar, St. Francis of Assisi is celebrated as a Memorial. For the Dominicans, he is celebrated as a Feast. In the Arcodiocese of San Francisco, he is celebrated as a Solmenity, which ranks the highest of the three.

**PRAYERS** As a parish community we pray for the sick among us, including: Jackie Archibald, Nony & Penny Bantug, Anda-Louise Bozda, John Caletti, Modesta Cintron, William Cintron, Alessandra Colorado, Beverly Crawford, Andrea Edwards, Grace Cunningham, Ella DeLaMare, Maureen DeMoss, Esther Falsario, Anthony Galdes, Estela Gallegos, Anna Greco, Janice Hagy, David Huntzinger, Sandra Lecha, Bonnie Morey, Red Morrow, Anjuli Nunn, Glenn Olsen, Leo Paule, Roger & Rosie, Nora Semaan, Joli Stieber, Connie Sutton, Karel Sykora, Connie Williams, Rosie & Ralph Yob, the homebound, those in our local hospitals and skilled nursing facilities, and those who wish not to be named.

We also pray for the recently deceased Arthur Ferranti, Mary Shepherd, and Frank Helfrich.

To add a name, please contact the Parish Office.



DOMINICAN STUDENT APPEAL



# **NEXT SUNDAY IS ROSARY SUNDAY!**

One great preacher can change the world, and you can help!

In the coming weeks, you'll hear more about our annual Rosary Sunday: Dominican Student Appeal,

which supports the 42 young men currently in formation to become your future Dominican priests and religious brothers.

Even during these challenging times, God continues to raise up champions of the faith! If your means allow, your financial support is sincerely



appreciated. Your generosity will help give the world great Dominicans to preach the Gospel!

Learn more and give securely online at <a href="www.opwest">www.opwest</a>. org/rs.

Envelopes (Brovelopes) will be in the pews.





# **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Registrations are still open on our website or using this QR code.

# Things to look forward to:

- All parents are welcome to attend the parents group that meets weekly at the same time as your child's Religious Education class (9:00-9:50 AM), led by seminarian Andrew

Register

Kelley and two moms, Rose Philip and Leilani Ahern. Whether you're looking to grow in faith, support your child's journey, or connect with other families, these weekly sessions offer a meaningful space for learning and conversation.

- Our new PreK-K class is growing and already full of joy and laughter!
- The Confirmation class meets only in the evening, 6:00-8:00 PM (no more morning class) because we would like 7th and 8th graders to be thriving in our BEaST youth group.
- Youth Group parents will also have special evenings: Fr. Jerome and Florence de Bretagne will host dinner for all parents of youth on October 5th during youth group, 6:00-8:00 PM. Come to socialize, ask questions, and have good conversations.

**Grades Pre-K and Kindergarten** 

Register: https://delivr.com/2nrtu

First Communion (2 Year Program) - Grades 1 & 2

Register: https://delivr.com/2hshd

Religion Classes Grades 3, 4, 5, & 6

Register: https://delivr.com/2u7vm

At least two years of Religion classes after First Communion are a requirement before a student can enroll in the parish two year Confirmation program.

Confirmation (2 Year Program Grades 7 & 8

Register: https://delivr.com/25tyu



# Domnican Tour of St. Dominic's and St. Albert's Priory

November 15, 2025 Feast Day of St. Albert the Great

Join us for a special pilgrimage to two significant Dominican sites in the Bay Area! We'll visit St. Dominic's in San Francisco and St. Albert's Priory in Oakland, home to the house of studies for the Western Dominican Province.

Our tour will be led by Fr. Bart Hutcherson, O.P., pastor of the Catholic Community at Stanford, who will share insights into Dominican spirituality and history at both locations.

What makes this day even more special? November 15th is the feast day of St. Albert the Great, making it the perfect time to visit the priory dedicated to this great Dominican saint and Doctor of the Church.

## **Details:**

- Bus transportation provided from Raymond Church and back
- Departs in the morning and returns in the afternoon.
- Lunch included



# \$60

Questions? Contact Fr. Antony at frantony@ straymondmp.org.



# St. Francis Center FRIENDRAISER

Saturday, October 4, 2025 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm St. Denis Church 2250 Avy Avenue, Menlo Park

Appetizers & Beverages provided

The St. Francis Center Auxiliary invites you to this special event to share the mission and good works of the non-profit St. Francis Center. Meet Kate Young, our Executive Director, and visit with auxiliary members to explore opportunities for involvement. The St. Francis Center in Redwood City provides daily resources to the North Fair Oaks community, offering:

- Clothing and food assistance
- Holy Family School
- Housing support
- Community center services

## Food & clothing donations welcome.

St. Raymond is glad to support the St. Francis Center with toy drives, food, and clothing. See what they're all about. https://stfrancisrwc.org/

# Living the Sacraments as Women of Faith

Deepen your relationship with Jesus through the Sacraments of Initiation, Healing, and Service.

- → Discover ways to live your faith in 2026
- Presentations, discussions, & reflections on the seven sacraments
- → Connect with a community of Catholic women



DATE

**JAN 2 - 4** 2026

**VALLOMBROSA CENTER** 

250 OAK GROVE AVENUE MENLO PARK, CA 94025

\$435<sup>00</sup> SINGLE OCCUPANCY

**REGISTRATION FEE INCLUDES:** 

Two nights accommodations & all meals.

**DEADLINE TO REGISTER: NOVEMBER 15, 2025** 

Questions? Please Contact:

COST

REGISTER





LOCATION

GO ONLINE: https://delivr.com/2dhnp

Mail your check to: St. Raymond Church Attention: Women's Retreat 1100 Santa Cruz Ave., Menlo Park CA 94025

Yvette Gilardi: 650-248-4139, yvettegilardi@comcast.net Maria Cornell: 650-678-3545, mcornell428@gmail.com Mary Smith: 415-297-1754, mary@breathoflifecenter.com

Help us reach our goal of 25 participants & save! Register by October 15th.

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# THINKING ABOUT BECOMING CATHOLIC?

If you've been curious about the Catholic faith, we'd love to have you join us for OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults). It's a welcoming group where adults explore what it means to be Catholic—no pressure, just honest conversation and learning together.

Maybe you grew up Catholic but never got confirmed? You're absolutely welcome too.

Questions? Reach out to Deacon Tom Kelly at tfk@ sbcglobal.net or 650-670-2200. He's happy to answer any questions you might have.

# LOW-GLUTEN HOSTS AVAILABLE

Low-gluten hosts are available at every Mass. Simply join the presiding priest's Communion line to receive one.

# MINISTRY TO THE SICK

Know someone who is homebound or ill? We'd love to connect with them. Our parish family cares for those who cannot join us for Mass, bringing the comfort of faith directly to their homes. Please contact the parish office at (650) 323-1755 so we can reach out and provide the ministry they need.



I wish I had this kind of community when I was getting into trouble in high school. Being a saint is being fully alive in love with God and sharing that love with the world. This retreat is going to be SOOO much fun, building real friendships centered on Christ.



# Catholic in Recovery St. Raymond Church

1100 Santa Cruz Avenue, Menlo Park | PARISHHALL



Catholic sacramental recovery and fellowship for those seeking freedom from addictions, compulsions, and unhealthy attachments.

For more information visit:

www.catholicinrecovery.com or contact
Fr. Jerome at jcudden@straymondmp.org







Confessions, prayer teams, followed by fellowship in the



# Creation is the caress of God. Go out and be embraced

In this Jubilee of Hope and 10th anniversary of Pope Francis' encyclical *Laudato Si*, and the

Season of Creation, Pope Leo's September Prayer intention invites us to experience our interdependence with creation and all creatures, who are loved by God and worthy of our love and respect. Cardinal Czerny invites us to live a moment of gratitude and commitment to care for our Common Home.

In this 2nd article of "In Our Own Backyard," here are more amazing places where you can enjoy God's creation:

# **Baylands Nature Preserve**

Level, easy walk along the bay. Mostly salt water life, but also a man-made freshwater ecosystem along with an interpretive center.

If you love birds, this is your local place.

### **Foothill Nature Preserve**

Deer resting under trees, wild turkeys, an easy walk to the lake.





Stulsaft Park, Redwood City

Has a children's playground in addition to hiking and a picnic area.





"Lord, through the beauty of creation, you reveal yourself as a source of goodness. Help us to discover your presence in all creation and know ourselves to be responsible for this Common Home, where you invite us to care for, respect, and protect life in all its forms and possibilities." From Pope Leo's prayer.

Click the link to hear the full prayer: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z7elwa8f64g





If you or a loved one is experiencing mental or emotional wellness challenges, please contact our St. Raymond Emotional & Mental Health ministry at (650) 899-0370. This is a dedicated line and only coleads of the ministry team will hear your message. You may also email the ministry team at <a href="mailto:emwm@emwmailto:emwm@emwmailto:emwmailto

# FATIMA CELEBRATIONS AT NATIVITY

Mass at 7 pm followed by outdoor rosary process and bendiction.

Mon., Oct. 13.

# WELCOME

If you are a visitor to St. Raymond Parish, we want you to know you are welcome here—whether you have come from another part of the country, from across the world, or another parish in the Bay Area. Say hello to any of our parishioners! For information about our parish or to register, contact us at <a href="mailto:office@straymondmp.org">office@straymondmp.org</a> or register online at <a href="mailto:straymondmp.org/register">straymondmp.org/register</a>.

# MASS SCHEDULE

Saturdays 5:00 pm Vigil

Sundays 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 5:00 pm

Weekdays 8:15 am (Mon-Sat)

Holy Days 8:15 am, 12:15 pm, 7:00 pm

### RECONCILIATION

Saturday 8:45-9:15 am & 3:30-4:30 pm; Wednesday 7-8 pm, or by appointment

### **ADORATION**

Saturday 8:45-9:15 am, Wednesday 7-8 pm

ANOINTING OF THE SICK, BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS, & FUNERALS - Please contact the parish office at 650-323-1755 or email office@straymondmp.org.

# **GIVING: ONLINE AND IN PERSON**

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